

# Hawaii Marine Lifestyles

## Beyond the beach



Waikiki Ocean Club patrons aboard the Red Dolphin get ready to go snorkeling, Monday. The Red Dolphin is the only multi-hulled canoe in the world, and includes platforms from which customers can dine, sunbathe, dive and snorkel.

## Waikiki Ocean Club offers water activities galore

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**HONOLULU** — The salt water sprinkles lightly upon patrons in a small boat as it plows the crashing waves of the Pacific Ocean and heads for a small oasis overlooking the shores of Waikiki.

This 10,000-square-foot ship, known as the Red Dolphin, houses various attractions hosted by Waikiki Ocean Club. Recently established last year, Waikiki Ocean Club caters to tourists and residents alike.

Folks who want to visit the Red Dolphin can make a reservation and meet a boat at either the Hilton Hawaiian Village pier or the Ala Wai Harbor.

According to Lee Collins, the president of Waikiki Ocean Club, folks are also welcome to access the Red Dolphin by anchoring their personal boat and coming aboard.

Collins said recent surveys about the Waikiki Ocean Club have been very positive, and the company owes its success to its staff.

“We just have wonderful people,” Collins said.

While aboard the Red Dolphin, patrons have the opportunity to visit an underwater world by wearing special diving helmets. Patrons are lowered into the water while standing in an elevator-like cage.

Bill Kleinheinz, of San Francisco, came with his family to the Red Dolphin for the day. He described the helmet dive like a “moonwalk,” because he could bounce under water.

“It’s like weightlessness,” Kleinheinz said.

Kleinheinz’s son, Lukas, said he enjoyed going down the slide and jumping on the trampoline. His eldest son, Cody, and Cody’s girlfriend Sarina Medina,



Tokyo resident Kiyomi Katsu goes kayaking with her son, Ryuma, 8, in the waters off of Waikiki, Monday. The Katsus were patrons aboard the Red Dolphin, where Waikiki Ocean Club offers many different water activities.

relaxed on lounge chairs atop the Red Dolphin’s sunny top deck.

“I love it, it’s amazing,” Medina said of her experience with Waikiki Ocean Club.

Medina said she went snorkeling for the first time during her visit and commented on how pretty the view was beneath the water.

The Red Dolphin also has a yellow slide and three platforms from which patrons can launch into the water. Honolulu resident Chris Paulo, his girlfriend and two of his hula instructors came out for the day, and not only made good use of the slide and platforms, but also hopped on the trampoline and took a kayak out.

Paulo said going out to Waikiki Ocean Club’s ship is a good opportunity “to get away from everything and have fun.”

In addition to snorkeling, swimming, and diving, the club also offers tours of Diamond Head. More recently, Waikiki Ocean Club has acquired Aqua Quads, which the crew took out on test drives for safety last week. Aqua Quads are not jet skis. Because of the way the hull is designed, the Aqua Quads are actually more stable than jet skis, according to Justin Nesbitt, captain of

the Red Dolphin.

“The vessel as a whole is popular,” Nesbitt said. “It’s not like being at the beach. It’s away from the hustle and bustle.”

Nesbitt said patrons can also be temporarily certified to scuba dive for the day to try it out, or even earn a regular dive certification.

Honolulu residents Sam Spangler and Chassis Tavares spent time with Waikiki Ocean Club for the first time on Monday. Spangler said it was a great way to spend two days off from work. He said the snorkeling was “pretty incredible” and he was able to see a few dolphins.

“Everything you could ask for is right here,” Spangler said of Waikiki Ocean Club.

Tavares said not only was it fun to jump on the ocean trampoline, it was also fun watching fellow patrons enjoying themselves.

She said Waikiki Ocean Club was definitely a place worth visiting again with friends.

“It was exhausting, but it was fun,” said Keano Kaupu, of Honolulu.

Hawaii residents and the military receive discounted rates. For more information about Waikiki Ocean Club, visit <http://www.waikikioceanclub.com>, or call 380-6800.



San Diego resident Jessica Lacoff-Roberts and Honolulu resident Tiare Kanoa get ready to go snorkeling, Monday. Snorkeling is one of the many activities available with Waikiki Ocean Club.



Lauren Potts, of the Waikiki Ocean Club crew test drives an Aqua Quad, Monday. The Aqua Quads, which were made available on Wednesday, are new to Waikiki Ocean Club and were tested and modified for safety.



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REVIEW

Your weekly guide to the best aspects of entertainment

Welcome to the Pass In Review, your number one source for cinema, music, videogame, book and product reviews. The Pass In Review crew consists of more than 10 critics, each with their own idea of what makes a movie, album, game, product or book great. So be sure to take advantage of the Better Know A Critic section, which spotlights this week’s critics to better help you choose the critic with opinions most like your own. Using our breakthrough four-point scale system, you can quickly decipher what is worth your time and what isn’t, or read the full review for an in-depth analysis and explanation of the rating. The rating system uses ammunition and range terminology, so if you’re not familiar, here’s a quick breakdown of the ratings ...

1/4 — No Impact, No Idea

Horrendous. Among the worst of the worst in its genre. Dedicating time to this is not only wasteful, but unforgivable. Avoid at all costs.

2/4 — High And To The Right

Mediocrity at its best. Lacks a few things that might have made it really good. A decent time waster, partake only if you have nothing better to do.

3/4 — On Target

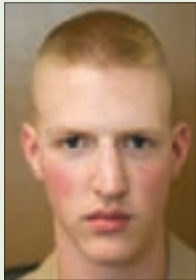
Praiseworthy. A great endeavor, not quite an instant classic but still very entertaining. This is a sound investment of your time.

4/4 — Confirmed Kill

Genius. In the top 10 percent of its genre. This is the stuff legends are made of. Missing out on it would be a disservice to yourself.

So, there you have it and we hope you enjoy our weekly reviews. Don't forget, The Hawaii Marine accepts submissions from its readers so if you consider yourself a film buff, music aficionado, gaming geek or bookworm feel free to submit your own reviews.

Better Know A Critic



SAUTER

**Lance Cpl. James A. Sauter** is fan of the classic playwrights of William Shakespeare and the eerie gothic horror masterpieces of “Dracula,” “Frankenstein” and “The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.” However, the book’s title and cover are the first things that he looks at before picking the book up. If those two elements can hold his attention long enough, he may consider reading it by his fireplace in a leather chair. No better way to read a story.



WONG

**Kristen Wong** admits she sometimes has to be dragged to movies that she later finds to be outstanding. She prefers fantasy driven movies, like “Lord of the Rings,” the Harry Potter movie series, and “The Matrix” trilogy. She owns more movie posters than she has wall space and continues to collect more as she goes. She also loves to summarize all of her favorite movies to curious and unsuspecting folks.

‘Total Recall’ needs quick recall, adjustments

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Photojournalist

Years into the future, the Earth has become mostly uninhabitable except for Europe and Australia, which have now been renamed the United Federation of Britain and The Colony. People travel between the UFB and The Colony by using a large, mechanical ride called “The Fall.” The story begins with a factory worker named Douglas Quaid (Colin Farrell) who lives with his wife, Lori (Kate Beckinsale), in a small apartment. His life is simple – go to work, have a few drinks at the bar, and come home to sleep. But he is constantly plagued by the same nightmare, in which he dreams he is a spy and just before enemy forces capture him, he tells his partner, Melina (Jessica Biel), that he will find her. Then he wakes up. After hitting the bar one evening after work, Quaid goes to a place known as Rekall, a company who offers false,

fantastical memories to liven up the dull lives of any paying customer. There’s only one catch — if you have already actually lived that fantasy, you cannot overlap it with a new memory, or you will become confused. Quaid’s Rekall session is abruptly interrupted when McClane (John Cho), a Rekall specialist, accuses Quaid of being a spy and therefore cannot be implanted with a spy’s memory.

Quaid is confused, because as far as he knows, he’s a simple factory worker. But his trip to Rekall brought back a memory he’d unknowingly lost — one that will change the life he knows.

Those who have seen the 1990 “Total Recall” starring Arnold Schwarzenegger will be treated to a few familiar scenes from the original movie, though not every detail is the same. And yes, I did see the 1990 version, and quite frankly, this year’s version is better.

I could not become fully engaged in this movie. Granted I tried to watch it

after eight hours of work, one hour of karate practice and with a growing headache. But the biggest question nagging in my mind was “is this really real?”

The truth is, any director or story-writer could turn the story back and forth, inside and out so many times you’d give up from exhaustion. Believe me, I know. I’ve watched 1999’s “Existenz,” and we NEVER found out what was reality and what was the game. I just left that movie with a headache and a hatred for a movie with so many twists.

Now some folks may argue, that’s what the movie’s premise is about, figuring out what’s real. But I just spent the movie thinking to myself, “man, if this whole movie turns out to be a dream, I am going to be so pissed off.” That one thought really ruined any chance of my enjoying it. It overshadowed the exciting car chases, the hand-to-hand combat, and



the thrills, chills and spills the movie producers worked so hard on.

But the movie has some good points. All the actors played their roles just fine. Beckinsale is brilliant as a malicious agent, and Biel compliments her like yin and yang. Farrell has some mad fighting skills. But the dialogue needs work.

When Quaid asks Matthias to restore his memory and Matthias spews some philosophical junk about the past not being as important as the present and memories don’t make the man and bladi-blah-blah. I blocked him out two seconds after he started that rant, because I don’t believe him. I’ve been on this Earth for too long and sat through one too many philosophical movies. You’ll have to find better words to make me leave the theater feeling contemplative about life.

By the way, “you haven’t even begun to see me try to” explain how I hate the two out-of-breath too long to be effective zingers that Beckinsale tries to say while she attacks Farrell.

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(On Target)

Diving into the past: To the Shores of Tripoli

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When I find myself reading a novel, eight times out of 10 that novel is most likely a historical, political or otherwise mentally exhausting piece of nonfictional literature to help expand my intellectual capacity. I find such reading beneficial to mental health, especially when resisting insanity while being on a cramped amphibious assault ship during the 2012 Rim of the Pacific Exercise.

When I went through the ship’s library looking for a book to pass my time, I came across one that was for sure to gain my attention since I’m on the green side of the “blue/green team.” “To the Shores of Tripoli: The birth of the U.S. Navy and Marines,” felt very appetizing to both of my historical and political cravings, which at the same time made me curious about the origins of the second stanza of the first verse to the Marines’ Hymn.

Just a quick recap of events going on during the turn of the 19th century — the United States just became a federal constitutional republic and Thomas

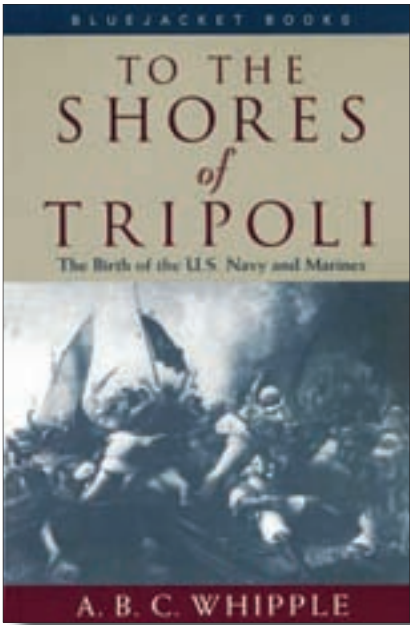
Jefferson was elected president. Across the world in the Mediterranean Sea, the Arab states along the Barbary Coast, or North Africa, were pirating foreign trade ships, including American, and forcing the crews into a brutal slavery/human trafficking economic ring that would seem unfathomable by today’s view of human rights.

Previously, the European powers would appease the Barbary corsairs by paying tribute to not have their merchant ships attacked. However, a poor and fledgling United States could not afford such a demand and the merchant ships fell victim to piracy. As a result, Jefferson made a surprising if not a blasphemous move that would jeopardize everything he stood for as a pacifist and a constitutionalist. Jefferson ordered six newly constructed frigates “to the shores of Tripoli,” without the consent of Congress, to bring about either a peace agreement or complete removal of the Barbary government.

Of the many books about the Barbary Wars, this

one is just about as dry as any other, but its readability makes it easy for someone to learn about American military history and not be bored. As for the political aspect of it, the Barbary Wars was the first test of American foreign policy and using military force to remove a hostile government, in addition to the president exercising his role as commander-in-chief during a time of crisis in contrast to Congress’ constitutional responsibility to declare war.

Despite how interesting or not this all seems, the real reason why I picked up this book was to find the origin of the Marine Corps’ involvement and how 1st Lt. Presley O’Bannon received a mamaluke scimitar that now embodies the Corps’ proud history as the ceremonial sword carried by every Marine officer. And guess what — I found it.



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(Confirmed Kill)



**Prices:** All shows are \$3.25 for adults and \$2.25 for children. For ticket pricing, the Base Theater Box Office defines an adult as a patron 12 and older and defines a child as a patron from 6 to 11. Children 5 and younger are admitted free of charge. Parents must purchase tickets for R-rated movies in person at the box office for children 16 and younger. Patrons must present their military identification card when purchasing tickets. Call 254-7642 for recorded information.



“Madagascar 3: Europe’s Most Wanted” PG Today | 7:15 p.m.

“Prometheus” R Today | 9:45 p.m.

“Rock of Ages” PG-13 Saturday | 7:15 p.m.

“Ted” R Saturday | 9:45 p.m.

“Brave” PG Sunday | 2 p.m.

“That’s My Boy” R Sunday | 6:30 p.m.

“Ted” R Wednesday | 6:30 p.m.



# Running with the devil dogs

## *Puppy Love: SMSP volunteers at Hawaiian Humane Society*

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**HONOLULU** — The Hawaiian Humane Society's dogs joined the pack for some morning physical training with volunteers from Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Saturday.

More than 25 dogs had a chance to go for a run or walk with volunteers from the Single Marine and Sailor Program. Although the outing was part of a new ongoing group volunteer opportunity for the SMSP, the society welcomes individual volunteers to be dog walkers as well.

"The humane society staff doesn't always get the opportunity to run with the dogs," said Karley Peterson, SMSP coordinator, MCB Hawaii. "It's a great partnership for our organization because we're into fitness and love running. It's almost like a running club with dogs."

With volunteering Marines and sailors leading the way, the animals in good health took a trip through the nearby Moiliili neighborhood. Together they walked or ran along the street sidewalks in a course of approximately 1.8 miles. For dogs still recovering from health problems, volunteers took them on a stroll through the society's McNery Dog Park.

"The ones we take out for a run are ready for adoption," said Cpl. Jeremiah McCoy, SMSP representative, Headquarters Battalion. "They're the most friendly and ready to get into a good home."

He and Peterson said besides keeping the animals in shape, the running sessions also increase a dog's chance for adoption. After a run, the canine companions are more comfortable in their holding pens for potential owners and the community sees a regular reminder there are pets available from the society. When SMSP volunteers last visited and ran with the dogs in July, several were adopted later that day.

"It's a rewarding feeling knowing you are helping them for adoption," McCoy said. "They get to exercise, and we get to exercise with them."

Spending time with a canine crew feels rewarding for the volunteering Marines and sailors in other ways as well. Some volunteers, including Sgt. Cody Pattison, Headquarters Company SMSP representative, Headquarters Bn., haven't seen their own pets since they were last on vacation at home. Those who live on base in the barracks are not allowed to keep pets in the space.

When Pattison and other volunteers take the dogs out, the enthusiasm to take a stroll through Honolulu is mutual.

"They're in a cage all day and the dogs are so grateful to be out," Pattison said. "They appreciate it a lot, and it feels like you're doing something useful."

Whether it's helping the society with dog walking or setting up for events, the group is there to assist. Peterson said their efforts are part of an ongoing goal for the SMSP volunteers to actively



**Lance Cpl. Michael Cruz from 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, pets a dog at the Hawaiian Humane Society before taking it out for a run, Saturday. The society works with both individual volunteers and larger groups including the Single Marine and Sailor Program which Cruz joined.**

help out their host community. The volunteers are also working in the Manoa Falls Trail Restoration and other local causes to give back.

"We're doing more base service projects and we wanted to get more involved in surrounding community," Peterson said. "But the Marines and sailors love to work with children and animals."

The Marines and sailors can never let the dogs into the barracks, but the SMSP volunteers can be the ones who let the dogs out.

**Run with the pack**  
To volunteer as a dog walker at the Hawaiian Humane Society, call 356-2216 or see: <http://www.hawaiianhumane.org/NewVolunteers>

Volunteer and group social events are available to the junior enlisted through the Single Marine and Sailor Program. Sign-ups for volunteering are accepted until the Tuesday prior to the outing. Call 254-7593 or see <http://www.mccshawaii.com/sm&sp.shtml>.



**Active duty volunteers with the Single Marine and Sailor Program wait for the lights to change at the corner of Beretania and Kaialiu streets in Honolulu with their dogs. The society has the dogs run or walk in the neighborhood to encourage adoption.**



**Volunteering Marines and sailors let the society's dogs stretch their legs before they take a quick run with the dogs to keep them in shape. The dogs travel either a course of 1.8 miles near the society or stroll through the society's McNery Dog Park.**